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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 08, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application. A fee for a two-month extension of time has been submitted with this amendment.

**Amendments** to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this document.